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SUBJECT: FRG AND CANADIAN RECOGNITION OF DRV

1. FRG AND CANADIAN REPS ADVISED SENIOR POLADS JULY 23 THAT BONN AND OTTAWA HAD DECIDED BEGIN TALKS WITH DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (DRV) ON EVENTUAL ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. IN CASE OF FRG, BONN HAS AUTHORIZED ITS AMBASSADOR IN PARIS TO CONTACT DRV COUNTERPART "WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS." FRG REP NOTED THAT GOVERNMENT OF VIETNAM HAD BEEN INFORMED OF THIS STEP, AS HAD SEVERAL NATO ALLIES. HE ADVISED THAT DIRECTOR OF ASIAN AFFAIRS IN FRG FONOFF HAD VISITED HANOI IN APRIL 1973, AT WHICH TIME POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WAS DISCUSSED. DURING APRIL TALKS, GERMANS FOUND DRV VERY INTERESTED IN "RECONSTRUCTION AID," AND HE SAID TALKS ON AID WOULD BE HELD IF TALKS ON ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WERE SUCCESSFUL.

2. CANADIAN REP SAID THAT OTTAWA WOULD SHORTLY RECOGNIZE BOTH GVN AND DRV. IN CASE OF GVN, CANADIANS INTEND OPEN CONFIDENTIAL

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EMBASSY IN SAIGON HEADED BY AMBASSADOR RESIDENT IN SOME OTHER SOUTHEAST ASIAN CAPITAL. CANADIANS DO NOT INTEND OPEN EMBASSY IN HANOI BUT WILL ACCREDIT THEIR AMBASSADOR IN PEKING TO DRV. CANADIAN REP SAID OTTAWA HAD DECIDED

NOT TO PERMIT ESTABLISHMENT OF RESIDENT DRV AND GVN
MISSIONS IN OTTAWA, BUT WOULD ALLOW GVN TO MAINTAIN ITS
EXISTING INFORMATION OFFICE IN MONTREAL.
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